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BISON AND BEAR COUNT

1. The location and actual strength of the BEAR and BISON force at Soviet Long Range Aviation bases and airfields associated with Long Range Aviation acceptance, modification, or testing is needed to provide information on the current Soviet intercontinental nuclear delivery capability. In addition to providing aircraft counts, the nature and location of nuclear facilities at operational airfields will be obtained.

2. Whereas the list below results from careful appraisal as to the targets which would give the most reliable count, if accomplished simultaneously or nearly so, it should be borne in mind that such count cannot be expected to be complete because of the daily movement of aircraft. Nonetheless, the photographic evidence on these targets (taken in conjunction with intelligence simultaneously collected by [redacted]) could provide very substantial increments to our basis to estimate current strength more accurately and to infer in ways better than we have achieved to date possible rates of production. Such photography will reveal significant data bearing upon airfield construction and special weapons storage (or the absence thereof). Furthermore, coverage of the proposed targets might well produce evidence pointing to re-equipment trends which, when associated with other evidence, would allow us to define more precisely the direction which the long range bomber program is taking.

3. Principal Long Range Aviation bases and Test facilities associated with heavy bomber aircraft are as follows:

HIGHEST PRIORITY INSTALLATIONS  
(In order of priority)

1.	CHEPELEVKA	4948/3026
2.	ENGELS	5129/4610
3.	UKRAINA	5108/12833
4.	ORSHA SOUTHWEST	5426/3018
5.	MINSK/MACHUL/ISHCHE	5347/2734
6.	BELAYA TSERKOV	4948/3002

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7. **BYKHOV**
8. **PRILUKI**
9. **MOSCOW/SHCHELKOVO**
10. **MOSCOW/RAMENSKOYE**
11. **POLTAVA**
12. **NEZHIN**
13. **BARANOVICHI**
14. **BOBRUYSK**
15. **OSTROV/GOROKHOVO**

**5331-3013**  
**5034/3219**  
**5553/3803**  
**5534/3808**  
**4937/3430**  
**5106/3152**  
**5306/2603**  
**5306/2913**  
**5717/2826**

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